

TEMPORARY OFFICERS NAMED BY REPUBLICANS; MUCH ENTHUSIASM IS SHOWN BY PROGRESSIVES

WHOLE EMPIRE IN MOURNING FOR KITCHENER

Great Memorial Service is Planned to be Attended by King George and Government Representatives.

MOVE AGAINST ENEMY ALIENS GAINS FORCE

Spy Believed to Have Warned Germany of Secretary's Trip—Former Critics Eulogize Army's Head.

International News Service: LONDON, June 7.—Premier Asquith will act as secretary of state for war until a successor to Lord Kitchener is appointed, it was officially announced today.

International News Service: LONDON, June 7.—All of the British empire is in mourning today for Lord Kitchener, late secretary of state for war, who, with his staff, were drowned off the Scottish coast when the cruiser Hampshire was destroyed by mine or torpedo on Monday night.

The girle of red around the world—typifying the Union Jack—has become a girle of black.

From the four quarters of the globe, messages of condolence are pouring into London.

It is likely that a great memorial service will be held in St. Paul's or Westminster Abbey to be attended by King George and all the representatives of the government.

There was a meeting of the cabinet this morning to discuss the situation brought about by the death of the secretary of war, upon whose shoulders were borne the duty of conducting the military establishment of the empire.

Flags are at half-mast everywhere. Silent throngs filled the streets discussing the tragedy.

Think Spy Knew of Trip. Despite the secrecy attending the visit of Lord Kitchener to Russia, the belief is growing that the German admiral was notified of the proposed trip by a spy and that the Hampshire was blown up through some agency of Germany, perhaps a submarine.

Insistent demands are being made by the newspapers that more rigorous treatment be accorded enemy agents in the British Isles.

The question of Lord Kitchener's successor was one of the chief topics. The three names most conspicuously mentioned were those of Sir William Robertson, chief-of-staff of the British army, who was designated as acting secretary in the absence of Lord Kitchener; David Lloyd-George, the minister of munitions; and Lord Derby, who was put in charge of the recruiting when that burden was taken away from the war office.

It is believed that the total death list in the destruction of the Hampshire will be nearly 700, as the sea was so rough that small boats launched after the explosion could not live. Among the victims were the following notables who were accompanying the war secretary:

Col. O. A. Fitzgerald, military secretary to Lord Kitchener; Brig. Gen. Ellershaw, of the ministry of munitions; Sir Frederick Donaldson, of the ordnance department; Lieut. R. D. MacPherson, of Gen. Ellershaw's staff; Lieut. Robinson, aide camp to Sir Frederick Donaldson; and Hugh O'Brien, of the foreign office.

Army in Mourning. Following the order issued by King George the whole British army has gone into mourning and will remain in mourning for a week.

Ever since Monday night when the tragedy occurred, the admiralty has been making search off the Orkney islands for the bodies of Kitchener and his staff. Patrol boats have scoured the coast and search parties have combed the beach.

Despite the power and prestige of Kitchener his death will have no effect upon the military situation of England. It is declared in official circles. The empire will continue to battle as vigorously as ever against the enemy. But it is evident from the attitude of the press and the public that a feeling of deep depression has followed.

German Service Efficiency is Studied by U.S.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, June 7.—German secret service efficiency today is pointed to by department of justice officials as the cause of the sinking of the British cruiser Hampshire with Lord Kitchener and his staff on board, and as the reason the German high seas fleet attacked the British vessels with such disastrous results for the enemy off Jutland on May 31. These two events have resulted in American secret service officials laying plans for a careful study of the secret intelligence systems of the European belligerents, it was learned here today.

Department of justice and other officials have already learned a great deal about the European methods by close observation and by information gained through foreigners formerly employed by the foreign secret service agencies. Drastic changes in American methods are already being contemplated as a result.

NEW ASSAULT ON VERDUN GATEWAY

Germans Renew Attack on Fort Vaux Following a Short Lull.

International News Service: PARIS, June 7.—After a brief lull in infantry fighting east of the Meuse river, the Germans have again launched a powerful assault against the French position at Fort Vaux, the "gateway" to Verdun on the northeast.

All day yesterday and all night last night the big guns of the Germans west of the Meuse were in action raining shells of all calibre against the French positions at Hill No. 304 and in Caurettes wood. In the Vosges the Germans are again very active in the sector of Hartmannswillerkopf.

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KAISER SAYS BRITAIN'S SUPREMACY IS RUINED

International News Service: BERLIN, June 7.—"Great Britain's supremacy of the seas has been shattered," declared Emperor William in an address to the sailors of the high seas fleet at Wilhelmshaven. He added that the start which the German navy has made in the Jutland battle is causing the English to fear.

Hold Bank Clerk For \$41,000 Theft

International News Service: BOSTON, June 7.—Harry A. Jones, clerk and assistant cashier of the Stoneham National bank, was arrested today on a charge of embezzling \$41,000 in cash and securities from the bank. The capital stock of the Stoneham National bank is \$30,000. Jones is married and has a wife and three children. The bank is temporarily closed.

Later in the day he was held in \$40,000 bail by Federal Commissioner Hays on the embezzlement charge. In default of bail he was committed.

CLAIM WARPSPITE WAS SUNK BY SHELL FIRE

BERLIN (via Saxville wireless), June 7.—The British dreadnaught Waspit was sunk in the naval battle off Jutland by the German battleship Koening, it was said today by the official Overseas News agency.

The Waspit it was said blew up after being struck by heavy shells. This announcement was founded on dispatches from Kiel, the German naval base.

TORPEDO DESTROYER SUNK. PARIS, June 7.—The French torpedo boat destroyer Fantassin has been sunk in collision with another ship.

MOOSERS GIVEN MEETING WITH WILD CHEERS

Delegates Drown Out Bands With Singing of "Oh, You Teddy, We're Going to Put You There."

Ovation for Robbins Who Sounds Keynote

Party Purse Strings Threatened to be Drawn Tighter in Effort to Control "Rank and File."

International News Service: AUDITORIUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—Sticky clothes, wet shoes and an atmosphere that reeked with the smell of waterproofs; these were the elements that prevailed today when the progressives convention opened in the Auditorium theater and proceeded to make history in brisk chapters.

Just before the convention opened the Michigan delegates entered the theater with a great standard bearing a likeness of Roosevelt.

They stood before their chairs singing: "Oh, You Teddy, We're going to put you there." The Pennsylvania delegation arose and waved flags.

The band which had been playing the familiar "Marching Song" from Carmen, surrendered as the Roosevelt enthusiasm echoed from the far corridors of the big auditorium.

"When Teddy comes marching home," was their marching song, "Columbus, New Mexico, wants Teddy," said one.

It was displayed to the accompaniment of a wild outburst of cow-boy yells.

Then George W. Perkins, the chairman of the executive committee, made his appearance on the platform.

"Three cheers for Mr. Perkins," yelled a delegate.

They gave them with a will. Round after round of applause came for the man who has led the moose headquarters from the opening of the party's career.

Victor Murdock advanced to the stand at 12:23 and formally called the convention to order. Kansas interrupted him with a shout. Then order came and with it the announcement that the convention would be opened with prayer by Bishop William Fraser McDowell.

"We will rise as is fitting and sing America," said the chairman following the prayer. The delegates arose and made the hall ring with the great song.

A photographer aimed his camera at the body, cut loose a great flash, and put the gathering into the picture in the history of politics.

Sec'y O. K. Davis came to the front with the official call for the convention. He read the call to a body which was not particularly fond of political prose, but which heard him with attention.

Mr. Robbins got a mighty ovation as he came to the stand. When Victor Murdock announced the selection of Mr. Robbins the convention instantly ratified it. Johnson of California, Strauss of New York and Parker of Louisiana were named to escort Mr. Robbins to the chair and then at the Murdock suggestion the whole convention joined in singing "Onward Christian Soldiers" and listened to the keynote speech.

Every state chairman in the progressive party ranks was sitting on the lid when the convention began to assemble today. They were acting under positive orders to prevent an explosion. There was no attempt to disguise the fact that the rank and file of the moose had run wild. "We want Teddy," was the weird chant that possessed them.

It was a battle cry that had no variation; a vocal choosing that had no second thought.

Threat Lurks Near. Behind it lurked the threat of radical, speedy action looking to the immediate nomination of Col. Roosevelt regardless of the action of the republican convention, and in defiance of the wishes of George W. Perkins and the executive leaders of the party.

This was the reason why the moose were under tether. This was the cause of the earnest apprehension with which leaders sat nervous.

High Tribute is Paid Hilles by G.O.P. Committee

International News Service: COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—National Chairman Charles D. Hilles was paid high tribute today at the closing session of the republican national committee just preceding the opening of the convention. Resolutions thanking him for his "wisdom, self-sacrifice and absolute fairness" were adopted by a standing vote of the committee. Other resolutions praising the service of Sec'y James B. Reynolds, Sergeant-at-Arms William F. Stone and Treasurer George R. Sheldon were also adopted.

The final business transacted by the committee was the formal acceptance of the tardy West Virginia delegation report and the placing of the members on the temporary roll. Acting Chairman Charles M. Burke of South Dakota, then tapped his gavel sharply on the table and the meeting closed.

WILSON GIVES UP EFFORT FOR PEACE

Lansing Inquiry of Gerard Regarded as Significant. Time Not Ripe.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, June 7.—Diplomatic leaders here today were firmly convinced that there is not now a possibility that President Wilson will make any efforts at an early date to obtain peace in Europe. The dispatch of a cablegram by Sec'y Lansing to Ambassador Gerard asking whether Gerard has been advocating an early peace is believed to be a sure indication that the administration does not desire to have the attention of the world centered upon this country as the gate through which peace is most likely to come.

While it is improbable that an action will be taken even if Ambassador Gerard admits that he advocated an early peace, diplomats say the Lansing inquiry has considerable significance.

One neutral diplomat said today that the inquiry was made because of indications that the central powers are now making a last grand effort to hurl their armies on to victory and that the American government has been told that until the high tide of these efforts has been passed it will be quite useless to seek to set in motion the machinery of peace.

Gov. Trammel Leads in Georgia Primary

International News Service: JACKSONVILLE, Fla., June 7.—Incomplete returns indicate that Gov. Park Trammel defeated United States Sen. N. P. Bryan for renomination in yesterday's democratic primary. Percy G. Wall of Tampa, appeared to be running second and Bryan third. The gubernatorial and congressional candidates appear to be running close together and definite results may not be known for several days.

Colonel in Merry Mood at Opening Of Convention

International News Service: OYSTER BAY, CONN., June 7.—Convention day, found Col. Theodore Roosevelt in one of his merriest moods. His face was wreathed in smiles and he joked with those about him. Neither the uncertainty of developments in Chicago, nor the heavy rainstorm that drenched Sagamore Hill and filled the fringes of the bay with thick fog could lessen his good spirits. Special telegraph and telephone communication had been linked up between Sagamore Hill and Chicago and the colonel was in his library early to receive reports from the scene of political action.

It was reported that several long messages had been received from George W. Perkins, the national chairman of the progressive party, during the night, but whether these had anything to do with the colonel's joviality was not apparent.

Asked about overnight rumors, the colonel dismissed them with the words: "They are just reports. That's all I can say for them."

THIRD PARTY IN FIELD QUESTION FOR ROOSEVELT

Can Name Candidate But Can Not Make the Race Himself—Must Support the Nominee.

THREATENS TO BOLT IF HUGHES IS NAMED

Republican Leaders Prepare Plans to Fight Three Cornered Battle—Is T. R. Bluffing?

News-Times Special Service: COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—Only Theodore Roosevelt can prevent the placing in the field of a republican national ticket and a progressive one for the coming campaign.

If he wants to promise to support the nominee of the republican party—and he can name that individual so long as it is not himself—then the republicans will cooperate with the progressives.

But if the threat sent to the republican leaders today that under circumstances will he support Justice Hughes if the latter is the republican nominee, is in good faith and expresses the actual feelings of the colonel, then there will be no peace negotiations, the republicans will nominate the justice and demand that he sacrifice himself to his party and make the fight regardless of consequences.

This was the position taken just as the republican convention assembled here today.

"I will bolt if you name Hughes," is Roosevelt's attitude, according to definite word conveyed to the republican leaders.

The republican leaders immediately lined up against any conference committee. They made it plain that there would be no use of naming it unless the progressive party leaders were willing to assure them that the situation would be discussed dispassionately and no effort made to insist on Roosevelt.

If the progressive chiefs show that they can control their "wild horses" and are willing to agree on another candidate who actually is a republican, then such a conference committee may yet be named.

Are Backing Hughes. But as the convention assembled it was plain that the republican leaders had little hope that this would be done and they were devoting all their energy to influence Justice Hughes from eliminating himself as a candidate. While no one tried to speak for the justice officially, the men who say that he must lead the republican fight were calling attention to statements that he made while governor of New York, that a man should be willing to make sacrifices for a party that had honored him.

George W. Perkins expressed surprise when he heard that word had come that Roosevelt would run on a third ticket if Hughes were nominated by the republicans.

"Unless that is an official announcement," said Perkins, "it can be flatly denied."

T. R. is Bluffing. Some republicans declared that Roosevelt "was bluffing again" and asserted they would stand pat.

Gov. Whitman met the news that Roosevelt intended running on a third ticket. Hughes is nominated by the republicans with a laugh.

"That's no surprise," he said. "I expected it."

"Will it make any change in your plans?" he was asked.

"Not any," was the answer.

"Do you think that it will cause Justice Hughes to decline the republican nomination if it is tendered to him?" he was then asked.

"I can't say as to that," he answered, "but I don't think so."

The governor said that Hughes will be nominated by the republicans probably on the second ballot or the third ballot.

AVIATOR DEAD OF BURNS. NEWPORT NEWS, Va., June 7.—Aviator Stephen McGordon, who recently made a record flight of 400 miles to New York in four hours carrying a 200-pound passenger, died today from burns received in an accident sustained during the trip.

G.O.P. Keynote



MOOSE KEYNOTER ACCEPTS HUGHES

Raymond Robbins Says Justice is Agreeable to Him if He Declares Himself.

International News Service: AUDITORIUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—Raymond Robbins, deliverer of the keynote speech in the progressive convention, one of the original founders of the party and leader in Illinois, said just before the convention was called to order today that he and many of the rank and file of the party were ready to accept Justice Hughes on one condition.

The condition he said was that Hughes declare himself on the question of preparedness and Americanism.

"If he will come out with a good strong statement on which he eliminates the hyphen, I for one will be with him and many of the rank and file are of the same frame of mind," said Robbins.

"It will be very agreeable to us," said Mr. Perkins when asked concerning the proposal to name conference committees in an endeavor to select a candidate on whom both parties could agree.

"I hope it will be done," he continued. "If it comes up it probably will be in the convention. So far it has been only formally discussed."

Talked With Colonel. "Have you talked with Col. Roosevelt today?"

"Yes, I told him that the weather here was just about the same as down there. It is raining and that is a good sign for it lays the dust so that none can get into one's eyes."

"Is there a possibility that Col. Roosevelt may be named by the progressive convention today or tomorrow?"

"Not a chance today."

"Do you believe the progressive convention will accept any candidate other than Roosevelt who may be agreed upon by the conference committee?"

"When I was a boy," answered Mr. Perkins, "I was in the church choir and one of the songs they taught was 'Lead Kindly Light' so I take only one step at a time."

DECLARES ALL NEWS OF LOSSES WERE REPORTED

International News Service: LONDON, June 7.—A. J. Balfour, first lord of the admiralty, in a speech before the imperial council of commerce today declared that the admiralty had not withheld news of any British losses in the naval battle off Jutland. He paid glowing tribute to the late Lord Kitchener.

NOTICE OF APPEAL IS FILED FOR DR. WAITE

International News Service: NEW YORK, June 7.—Notice of appeal from the death sentence imposed on Arthur Warren Waite for the murder of his father-in-law was filed today. The appeal probably will not be argued until next autumn. Waite objected to signing the notice and his lawyer had to argue with him for three hours.

TO WED SOUTH BEND GIRL. News-Times Special Service: CHICAGO, June 7.—Charles F. Harris of Chicago, was licensed here to marry Miss Bertha Sweet of South Bend.

KEYNOTE IS SOUNDED BY SEN. HARDING; LODGE IS ON RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

Routine Matters Are Cared For and Convention Then Adjourns Until Thursday Morning. Hughes Gaining Strength Says Whitman.

News-Times Special Service. SEN. LODGE IS NAMED. COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—Sen. Henry Cabot Lodge of Massachusetts, was elected chairman of the republican committee on resolutions by a unanimous vote at the convening of the executive committee this afternoon. Charles F. Scott of Kansas, was elected secretary.

COLISEUM, CHICAGO, June 7.—The republican convention got under way here this morning at 11:27 and at 1:26 adjourned until 11 o'clock tomorrow.

Most of the session was devoted to the keynote speech by Sen. Warren G. Harding of Ohio. Temporary officers were appointed and the convention will be ready to get down to business tomorrow morning.

Its routine of organization was carried out with a precision in no way disturbed by the fact that not even the leaders were prepared to forecast whether it was to end in a "fight or a frolic." It was a republican convention, the leaders said, and under no circumstances would control of it be surrendered to another party, "Peace with regularity, or war even though it means defeat," was the war slogan of the Old Guard. And they had "counted noses" and had the votes to keep control, even if they could not unite them on any single candidate.

The convention was called to order at 11:27 by Chairman Charles D. Hilles of the republican national committee. At that hour nearly every delegate was in his seat while the galleries were filled to suffocation.

The first slogan of the convention came from the lips of National Chairman C. D. Hilles who after the convention had become an orderly gathering made the following announcement.

Sing "America." "Paraphrasing a remark of the late President McKinley, this is a year when politics is patriotism and patriotism is politics. Therefore the audience will rise and sing two verses of 'America.'"

Following the singing Chairman Hilles introduced the Rev. John Timothy Stoney, D. D. of Chicago, who offered the opening prayer as follows:

"Most Holy and Eternal God, we bow before Thee with reverent hearts and thoughtful minds. Thou art our God; Thou art the God of all nations; Thou art the God of our nation. Thou hast been the God of our fathers. Thou hast been our God in times of peace, amid the perplexities of war. Thou hast given to us freedom, liberty, purpose and propriety."

"Although the immediate interests which now control our gathering together have reference to our own national issues, we would not forget the warring, suffering nations of the earth. We pray Thee to bring them speedily, if it be Thy holy will, to terms of peace and conditions of adjustment."

"We bow before Thee, and, pausing quietly, ask Thy blessing before entering upon the deliberations of this convention. As Thou dost order the affairs of men, so frame the doings of this great body. Save from all hasty or ill-spoken word. Control judgments, purposes, plans and platform, that all may have Thy pure mind of wisdom and strength. May the men of Thy choice be our choice; and may motive, method and result center in Thy sure laws of right and in Thy lasting victories of truth and righteousness."

"Direct, suggest, control this day, All we design or do, or say; That all our powers with all their might, In Thy full glory may unite. We ask all in the name of our common Master and Lord. Amen."

Chairman Hilles then announced that the next proceeding would be the taking of the photograph by the official photographer, and there was a general laugh as the man in charge of the flash called for the delegates to face the cameras. The flash light was exploded at 11:37. With their pictures taken the delegates seemed relieved and greeted Sec'y James B. Reynolds with a round of handclapping which seemed to last for half a minute.

The text of Sen. Harding's keynote speech at the republican convention will be found on page 12 of this issue.

Speech Brings Cheers. The keynote speech, printed copy of his "keynote utterance" in his hand and carefully followed his text. The Ohio senator was in excellent voice and his speech was heard in the farthest end of the hall. His appeal to unite for harmony and "make amends to the country" was cheered for half a minute.

The end of Chairman Harding's speech was seemingly welcome to

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